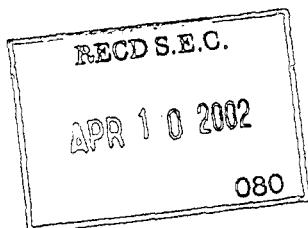




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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of April 8, 2002

SCHRODER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST plc

(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

31 Gresham Street, London, England, EC2V 7QA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Indicated by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes No x

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SCHRODER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST PLC ("SVIIT")

GRANT OF OPTIONS

Schroder Ventures International Investment Trust plc ("SVIIT") today announces that 1,411,597 options over shares were granted on 5 April 2002 to qualifying participants.

Of these options over shares, 1,376,823 were granted at a price of £3.345 per share and 34,774 were granted at a price of £3.35 per share. These options are not normally exercisable for three years and then only if the applicable performance targets have been met.

Of the above allocation, 404,484 options over shares were granted to Nick Ferguson, a director of SVIIT, at a price of £3.345 per share.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

SCHRODER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST PLC

Date: 8 April 2002

By:.....

John Speedding

**For and on behalf of Schroder Investment
Management Limited, Secretaries**